

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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GROUNDNUT RESEARCH CENTRE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Groundnut Research Centre has recently conducted certain researches to obtain two crops of groundnut in one year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to provide high yielding seeds of groundnut and technical know-how to grow two crops in a year to the farmers of Northern India particularly eastern Uttar Pradesh?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

- (a) & (b): Growing two crops of groundnut in a year is a common practice followed by the farmers of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka and Gujarat, where adequate irrigation facilities exist to support the second crop (rabi or summer) of groundnut.
- (c) Possibility of growing two crops of groundnut in one year in Eastern Uttar Pradesh is remote in view of unfavourable agro-climatic situations and growing conditions prevalent in the region.